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SEN. SCOTT WELCOMES GOVERNOR TO DETROIT FOR BILL SIGNING CEREMONY

(LANSING) – Senator Martha G. Scott (D-Highland Park) is honored to join Governor Jennifer M. Granholm during a bill signing ceremony, set for Tuesday, December 21, 2004, at 10:45 a.m., at the Warren-Conner Development Coalition, 11148 Harper, Detroit that will put the final touch on several lead poisoning prevention bills, including Senate Bill 753, introduced by Sen. Scott.

Introduced as part of a package of bills supporting Governor Granholm's lead poisoning prevention plan, SB 753 will establish a Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control Commission housed within the Michigan Department of Community Health. The Commission will be responsible for studying the environmental hazards of lead poisoning to children's health; reviewing the state's lead poisoning prevention program; and making final recommendations for improvement to the program.

"Governor Granholm's signature is crucial as we continue our efforts to eliminate lead poisoning which remains a very real threat to our young people, particularly our lower-income, minority children in urban areas," Sen. Scott said. "We must take all steps necessary to protect the health and welfare of our most precious resources."

In addition to SB 753, the Governor is expected to sign SB 757 introduced by Senator Hansen Clarke (D-Detroit) that provides penalties for landlords who repeatedly rent housing units with known lead hazards; and SB 756 introduced by Senator Bill Hardiman (R-Kentwood) to create a lead safe housing registry.

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Senator Scott represents the 2nd Senate District, which includes areas of Detroit and the cities of Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park and all of the Grosse Pointes. She serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee.